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Summer 2005

Program in Alaska

June 20–August 3
(Tuition \$3,575, Room and Board \$2,350)

Program in New Mexico

June 14–July 27
(Tuition \$3,575, Room and Board \$2,350)

Program at Lincoln College, Oxford

June 27–August 6
(Comprehensive Fee \$7,755)

Program at Bread Loaf, Vermont

June 28–August 13
(Tuition \$3,575, Room \$530, Board \$1,315)

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SINCE 1920 THE BREAD LOAF SCHOOL OF ENGLISH has offered a rich array of graduate courses in literature, the teaching of writing, creative writing, and theater to students from across the United States. For six weeks each summer Bread Loaf students, most of them secondary-school teachers, work toward an M.A. or M.Litt. degree and study with a world-class faculty at one of our four sites: Juneau, Alaska; Santa Fe, New Mexico; Oxford, England; and the home campus located outside Middlebury at the foot of Bread Loaf Mountain in Vermont.

The Bread Loaf School of English is one of 11 summer programs offered by Middlebury College. There is no graduate program in English offered during the regular academic year.

Degree and Nondegree Programs

The Master of Arts (M.A.) Degree

The M.A. program is offered to highly qualified candidates who hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college. Students can attend any of the four Bread Loaf campuses; at least one summer must be spent in residence at the home campus in Vermont. To earn the M.A., students must successfully complete 10 courses (10 units or 30 semester-hour credits); no thesis is required. The normal summer program consists of two courses. A grade of B- or better is required in order to receive course credit. While the degree usually takes five summers to complete, students may transfer in up to two units of work (six semester-hour credits) and may apply to do up to two independent reading projects and thus may complete the degree in three or four summers.

The curriculum is divided into six groups: (I) Writing and the Teaching of Writing, (II) English Literature through the 17th Century, (III) English Literature since the 17th Century, (IV) American Literature, (V) World Literature, and (VI) Theater Arts. Ordinarily the M.A. program includes a minimum of two courses each from Groups II and III, and one course each from Groups IV and V.



The Master of Letters (M.Litt.) Degree

The M.Litt. builds, in a concentrated, specialized way, on the broader base of the M.A. in English, which is a prerequisite for the degree. Students choose a field of concentration in which most or all of their course work is done. A field of concentration may be a period such as the Renaissance, a genre such as the novel, or a methodology such as literary and cultural theory, or writing theory and pedagogy. No thesis is required, but in the final summer a student must pass a comprehensive examination covering his or her field of concentration. The program is limited to highly qualified candidates.

Continuing Graduate Education

Teachers who have their master's degree or others who have at least a baccalaureate degree may enroll for a summer as nondegree students in continuing graduate education. Upon successful completion of this program, Middlebury College will issue the student a Certificate in Continuing Graduate Education.

Undergraduate Honors Program

Undergraduates who have completed their junior year of college may also seek admission. Their courses may be transferred to their home institutions, or they may serve as the initial credits leading to the M.A. at the Bread Loaf School of English.

Admission

Admission is based on college transcripts, two letters of recommendation, a statement of purpose, and a writing sample.

Admissions decisions on first-year students are made on a rolling basis, beginning February 1. Students will be considered for admission until May 15, but as the school fills quickly, we recommend an early submission of application materials. Decisions on special fellowships may be made somewhat later; this will be noted in the application materials. As Bread Loaf is especially committed to increasing diversity in its community, minority applications are encouraged.

Financial Aid

Financial aid is available in the form of grants, loans, and/or work aid. The aid is awarded on the basis of financial need and scholastic achievement on a first-come, first-served basis. Requests for aid should be made when the application form is submitted to the school; all pertinent forms and information will be sent to applicants as soon as they become available. For more information and downloadable forms, visit the Office of Financial Aid's Web site at: www.middlebury.edu/admissions/finaid/breadloaf/.

BreadNet and the Bread Loaf Teacher Network

One of the most exciting of Bread Loaf's innovations has been the development of BreadNet, an electronic network that links the classrooms of Bread Loaf teachers. The primary goals of BreadNet are to perpetuate the Bread Loaf community throughout the year and to encourage collaboration among Bread Loaf teachers, faculty, and their classrooms. All Bread Loaf students, faculty, staff, and graduates are invited to join.

The Bread Loaf

Summer 2005

School of English

Middlebury College, Middlebury, Vermont

EACH SUMMER, the Bread Loaf School of English assembles a dedicated community of teachers and learners at each of its four campuses. Faculty

members drawn from such distinguished colleges and universities as Princeton, Stanford, the University of Iowa, and Oxford teach graduate courses in the study of literature,

the teaching of writing, creative writing, and theater arts. Students follow courses of study leading to the M.A. or M.Litt. in English. This June some 500 students will travel

to the Bread Loaf campus of their choice for an intense, exhilarating, even transformative, six weeks of classes, lectures, performances, and conversation.

Bread Loaf, Vermont

Since 1920, the central location for these programs has been the campus situated in a strikingly beautiful setting in sight of Bread Loaf Mountain in the Green Mountains of Vermont.



Santa Fe, New Mexico

The courses at St. John's College, at the foot of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains in Santa Fe, New Mexico, often emphasize such subjects as American Indian literature, American Hispanic literature, and writing of the Southwest.



University of Oxford, England

Bread Loaf offers a summer program at Lincoln College, one of the smallest and most beautiful of the Oxford colleges, where students enroll in one two-unit seminar/tutorial for the session.



Juneau, Alaska

Bread Loaf offers a full program at the University of Alaska Southeast in Juneau, a site of spectacular natural beauty, located between the Mendenhall Glacier and the sea-waters of the Alexander Archipelago.

For more information

See the other side of this poster for more information about the Bread Loaf School. To receive an application and catalog, or to learn about any special fellowships, write or visit our Web site: Bread Loaf School of English, Freeman International Center, Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT 05753

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